

## Message Text

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E.O. 11652: N/A

TAGS: WA, EMIN, ENRG

SUBJECT: US COMPANIES REGISTERED FOR URANIUM MINING  
IN NAMIBIA

1. ON JULY 4, 1977, FOLLOWING FOUR COMPANIES INCORPORATED  
IN DELAWARE WERE REGISTERED AS EXTERNAL COMPANIES IN SOUTH  
AFRICA: SOUTHERN URANIUM, TRI-STATE NUCLEAR, DELAWARE NUCLEAR  
AND MID-WEST URANIUM. ALL LISTED NOMINAL SHARE VALUES OF  
BETWEEN \$100 AND \$150. PRESIDENT AND SECRETARY OF ALL COMPANIES  
LISTED AS BRUCE A. RICH, 280 PARK AVENUE, NEW YORK. REGISTERED  
OFFICE OF COMPANIES IS P.J. MALHERBE, CHARTERED ACCOUNTANTS  
IN WINDHOEK.

2. WE TRACED FIRMS TO GENERAL MINING AND FINANCE. A CONTACT  
THERE, ALTHOUGH VERY GUARDED, ADMITTED THESE US FIRMS WOULD  
BE PARTNERS WITH IT IN A URANIUM VENTURE IN NAMIBIA. SAID  
ROLE OF THESE NEW FIRMS WOULD BECOME CLEAR LATER, BUT THEIR  
CONTRIBUTIONS WOULD BE ON FINANCING AND MARKETING SIDE. WOULD  
NOT SAY WHAT US INTERESTS THE FOUR FIRMS ARE ASSOCIATED WITH.

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3. ACCORDING TO GENERAL MINING'S CURRENT ANNUAL REPORT, ITS  
GEOLOGICAL INVESTIGATIONS OF A URANIUM DEPOSIT AT LANGER  
HEINRICH MOUNTAIN NEAR SWAKOPMUND WERE COMPLETED IN 1976.  
A TECHNICAL FEASIBILITY STUDY SHOWED THAT A PROFITABLE  
OPERATION COULD BE MOUNTED. REPORT ADDED: "MARKETING AND  
FINANCING INVESTIGATIONS ARE PRESENTLY IN HAND".

4. AS REPORTED IN OUR A-64, LANGER HEINRICH OCCURRENCE IS  
REGARDED AS MOST PROMISING AFTER ROSSING WITH A POTENTIAL  
OF UP TO \$450 MILLION.

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